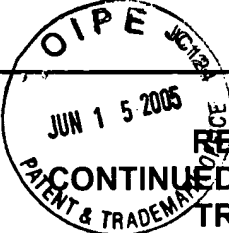


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<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</p> </div> <p>Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p>	Application Number: 09/347,106	Confirmation Number: 3360
	Filing Date: July 2, 1999	
	First Named Inventor: HRONIK, Stanley A.	
	Group Art Unit: 2186	
	Examiner: ANDERSON, Matthew	
	Attorney Docket Number: 9145.0008-00	
Attorney Customer Number: 22,852		

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment.**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on [Date] _____.
- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ **DO NOT ENTER** the amendment(s) previously filed on [Date(s)] _____. An alternate submission is attached.
- c. ☒ Enclosed submission: .
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of [number] months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other _____

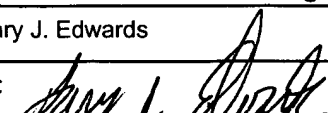
3. Fees

- a. ☒ The filing fee is calculated as follows:
- i. ☒ \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Petition for extension of time for (Months) \$ _____

iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$790.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required

Name: Gary J. Edwards	Reg. No.: 41,008
Signature: 	Date: June 15, 2005

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